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LYNCHING.

Attention has been called to the fact that during the first six months of the present year there were thirtyfour lynchings in this country, an increase of thirteen over the same period of the previous year. Nine more called that there were only ten white men lynched this year, the full meaning of these figures is apparent. While the wreaking of mob vengeance last year was practically confined to negroes, only one white being the vic-tim of mob law, the bloodthirsty lawlessness of mobs is now taking its victims more freely from the white race.

This is not only logical but inevitable, for in the last analysis lynching is not a crime directed against the representatives of one race, but is the gratification of the blood-lust that will take its victims wherever it can find ster who holds the 1915 championship them. There is food for profound only had a height of one-tenth of a meditation in this state of affairs, for a great many people who would not particularly disturbed or unfavordifferent view of the matter when they note that almost one-third of the 1915 victims were white men.

In the eyes of the law the representative of one race is worth as much old. to society as that of another; that is

to say, it is just as heinous a crime against the peace and dignity of the state to lynch a negro as to lynch a iness people of Dallas, tending to-white man. The average white per- ward the introduction of a regular son, however-at least in the southwill not take this broadminded view, and this very spirit of egotism, race-

will not take this broadninged view, race-and this very spirit of gotians, race-consciousness and racial hatred will perhaps invest the lawless execution of ten white men in six months with something like its true proportions as a crime against society and eiviliza-tion. It is further significant that of the thirty-four men put to death, only one out of every five was accused of of-fenses against women. This is a pro-portunity for those residents of the save a suce and the same a some real excuse, specious though it would be, for the infliction of mob violence. But when four men out of violence. every five lynched were not remotely There is every reason to believe that connected with crimes against wo-manhood, and when one out of the mation of the market day plan will be five who were guilty of this crime-or at least accused—was a white man, the situation becomes one for still be about the institution in Dallas, as it the situation becomes one for still has elsewhere. profounder reflection. Men were put to death by mobs for stealing cotton, vide accommodations for the sale, and for stealing hogs, for stealing meat, this might be done by leasing a piece and one was accused of stealing a of land centrally located and crectcow. Murder or attempted murder, ing a covering after the fashion of a however, furnished the greater pro- school play-pavilion, enclosing a porportion of excuses and these crimes tion thereof as a rest room for women were "punished" by the murder of and children, and where farmers and those who were accused of taking or their families might partake of their attempting to take human life.

THE ARMENIANS.

tests in various parts of Oregon, the merits. greater number of which were held in conjunction with county fairs, The Observer has arrived at the conclus-

publicity to the fact that its eugenics contest made some remarkable showwhich the examining physicians spoke in the highest praise. Last year Jack Grant was the grand

champion prize boy, winning over the girl babies, his score being 99.2, but his age prevented him from being an entrant in the recent contest. But this year the girls scored the highest, several being ahead of the baby leading the list of boys. Had the youngonly had a height of one-tenth of a point greater it would be a perfect child. Last year Lorie Barham, who carried off the honors last week, scortwelvemonth. If, perchance, there

MARKET DAY.

The proposition now before the bus monthly market day throughout the ly worked out. It has been done in

But when four men out of securing articles at a reduced cost. limited bailiwick.

It would be quite necessary to promidday luncheon if they so desired. Oregon along the line of agricultural

again gains supremacy in Europe and to that position. The constant bick-Asia, there will be a day of reckoning ering that has attended everything for crimes committed under the cloak connected with it has disgusted the of belligerency and not the least of public. Football is attracting an evthese will be punishment of the Turks er increasing following. Men who nev-Armenians. er played or cared for the game are now ardent followers, going to one or more college towns each year to

BABIES HAVE CLASS. After having carefully scrutinized some big game. These men, by the way, are by no means all college men. the reports of several eugenics con- The game draws its followers on its

A COOS CASE.

Down in Coos county the other day Observer has arrived as not only the ion that Polk county is not only the blue ribbon county for agricultural to serve thirty days in the county blue ribbon county for agreentation to serve thirty mays in the county products but for the most perfect ba-bies as well. Down in Coos county the newspapers give headlines to a baby scoring 90.5, and in Douglas county no inconsiderable amount of gal sale of liquors, and called atten-ado is made over the fact that this tion to the frequent warnings of the ado is made over the fact that this thon to the frequent wathing ten his score was excelled by a couple of points, while Cottage Grove gives publicity to the fact that its eugenics would be vigorous and that leniency would not be shown offenders. The ings of youngsters. But we have seen judge evidently hoped, by dealing out white men were lynched in the first six months of 1915, according to the Dallas girl, 99.9, has been reached, or to himself issue a warning against the figures, than for the corresponding period in 1914, and when it is re-aggregate has been made. At the aggregate has been made. The doing make hie loss strends in the Polk county contest, of the fifty-nine entrants only four scored under 95, while five scored above ninety-nine. by anying admonitions to henceforth It was a fine exhibition of remarkably well developed children, and one of may have some standing with the theorists, but seldom work out in actual

practice, for unless the bootlegger's offense against the peace and dignity its demise that they premeditatedly of the state rather than to lose the and with malice aforethought armed or the state rather than to lose the and with mance around an anero and the state rather than to lose the sharpshooter with a dangerous ficking in that which intoxicates. While the youth has our sympathy, the index who had the backbone to yo the judge who had the backbone to go the limit has our commendation,

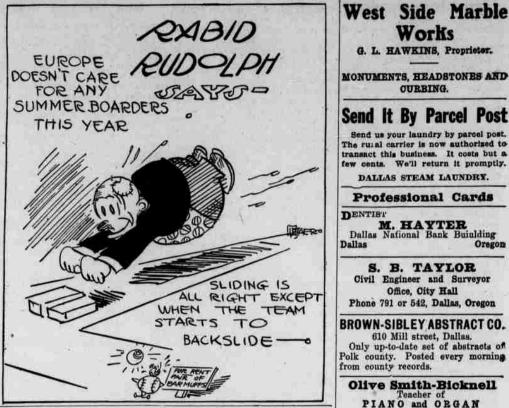
There was a notable absence of a display of dairy products in keeping with the possibilities at the county fair last week, but nevertheless this is not an indication of lack of inter-est in this industry. Polk county, let it be said, is fast forging to the front as a dairying center, as is evidisplay of dairy products in keeping ably impressed by an increase in the number of negro victims may take a opment of five points during the fair last week, but nevertheless this continues to be only the slightest im- est in this industry. Polk county, provement during the ensuing year let it be said, is fast forging to the Dallas will have a perfect three-year-old. several creameries and cheese factories during the past few years.

> Simply because the barometer has been playing tag with the low notes the Coos Bay Times rushes into print year, is one that should be successful- with the prediction that we are to have a severe winter, with less rain

About the worst thing that could

are some short-sighted Americans who seem willing to try it. Statistics show that the general use of automobiles is reducing the dog astonishment the Indians replied in completion of the accuracy Yare by the and although the conversation population of the country. Year by like, and although the conversation year the gas wagon continues to demyear the gas wagon continues to demonstrate its efficiency and usefulness.

Polk county continues to line up as one of the wealthy counties of The construction would be inexpen-sive as a whole, and consequently each and dairy products and livestock.



not yet described," and this somegon: You and each of you are hereby practice, for unless the bootlegger's not yet described, and this some-thing had been described by Winegar & Lorence as an animal. In fact it was known to them to be an animal, again, preferring to liquidate for his and it was for the purpose of causing gon: You and each of you are necesy required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before six weeks from the date of the must have been a woodrat, which had entered the school preserve unknown to Dr. Ackerman from the woods somewhere, but even under these was a woodrat it could not be a "non-descript," as alleged by our esteemed contemporary. But the disciple of Aescalapius, true to his colors, got 'it,' so why be concerned as regards its classification.

before six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons; and the plaintiffs for want thereof will take a decree against you as prayed for in their complaint herein, to-wit: That plaintiffs are the owners in fee of the following described real premof the following described real prem-ises, commencing at the Southwest corner of Fractional Block No. 1, in corner of Fractional Block No. 1, in Henry Hill's town of Independence, Polk County, Oregon, thence running North 162 feet, thence East 200 feet, thence South 162 feet, thence West 200 feet to the place of beginning, and that you and each of you be by weid dence forward and each said decree forever barred and en-joined from claiming any right, title or interest of, in or to said premises or any part thereof.

This summons is published in the This summons is published in the Polk County Observer for a period of six weeks by order of the Hon, H. H. Belt, Judge of the above entitled Court, made at Chambers this 31st The other day we met Capt. Kat-

Court, made at Chambers this case day of August, 1915, and the date of the first publication will be on the 3rd day of September, 1915, and the date of the last publication will be on the 8th day of October, 1915. SIBLEY & EAKIN, Attendors for Plaintiffe zenjammer gloomily sitting on a bench near the band stand at the city

the City of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to the said final account and the settle-

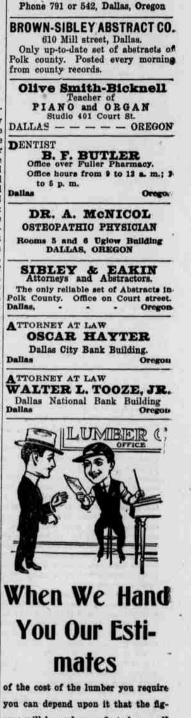
ment thereof. Dated and first published August 24, 1915.

JOHN W. QUIRING, Administrator of the estate of Ger L. D. BROWN,

Attorney for the estate, 50-5t ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

the merchant was awakened from his dream he failed to learn how the red-skins had acquired the language. Notice is hereby given that the na-dersigned administrator of the estate

of Alice F. Thun, edceased, has filed his final account as said administra-



Oregon

ures will be as low as first-class, wellseasoned lumber can be sold for honestly. If you pay more you pay too much. If you pay less you get less either in quality or quantity.

The unfortunate people of Armenia contributor to a fund necessary to seem to require a share of the world's carry the project into effect would be sympathies, already extended to the lightly touched financially. Several suffering people of Belgium and Po- farmers who have been interviewed lan. The misfortunes of the Armen-ians, however, are even greater than are favorably inclined toward it, the misfortunes which have fallen on which of itself augurs well for its the Belgians and Poles. Since Tur- early consummation. joined the war, we are told, the Turkisli government appears to have fostered and encouraged a campaign and this campaign has been carried

PARK IMPROVEMENT.

When the Dallas Woman's club reof virtual extermination in Armenia, sumes business meetings after the summer vacation days, one of its first +

of the ruts," is a fitting sign to be displayed on all good roads.

*********** SOME THINGS

 and this campaign has been carried moderalizing will be the improvement indescribable. Tens of thousands of hedity sark, the intention being parently leng to extript the chromitant the outpart of the circular strate of the strate str against the christian Armenians. The enemies of the Turk can not interfere, and, unfortunately, the nations that are counting upon Turkish support in the war are not in position to arouse the Turk's hostility. The result is that Moslem hatred of the Armenians is allowed to vent itself unhindered. After this war, when eivilization

as one of the wealthy counties of Oregon along the line of agricultural and dairy products and livestock. Pantalettes for women are coming back, says a fashion note. Mere man, apparently, is to lose his last preroga-tive of sex. 'Please keep to the right and out 'Please keep to the right and out

supremacy as a broncho buster along are hereby notified and required to appear at the County Court room at and most certainly would have had his finger in the prize pie had the animal not unseated him. Foster's injury is not serious, and in spite of his flight in the atmosphere he is a be settled, allowed and approved, and animal not unseated him. said estate forever and finally settled and said administrator and his bondsvery good rider.

men discharged.

SUMMONS.

Polk's Buckaroo Injured.

disturb the serenity of his soul.



BICYCLE RIDERS ATTENTION

Do you realize that this is the be ginning of the season for riding bi-cycles. The man who has his wheel overhauled in early spring economizes for the reason that he accomplishes two things at one cost of labor-his-bearings properly clear and oiledbad bearings replaced at same time (if any) at practically one cost. Oth-erwise one thing goes wrong here, another thing there at different times which makes it inconvenient for you. and also adds to cost of repairs. are well prepared to meet your de-mand in this line. Work guaranteed. Bicycles from \$22.50 to \$45.00. Tires from \$4.50 to \$10.00 per pair. Bicycle and motorcycle sundries, baseball and athletic supplies.

Indian motor cycle agency.

L. B. HIXON, JR. 315 Main Street.

WHEN YOU GIVE THE OBSERVthe real estate described in the complaint herein, the above-named defendants. In the name of the State of Ore-USCAR HAYTER, Attorney. S7-05 FAILURE ON OUR PART.